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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- ☐ Box No. II Priority
- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ☐ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. FURTHER ACTION

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Box No. I

Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
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_____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b)).
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 - b. format of material
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☐ in computer readable form
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4. Additional comments:

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Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement		
1. Statement			
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-41	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims		YES
	Claims	1-41	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-41	YES
	Claims		NO
2. Citations and explanations:			
<p>Document 1: WO2003/21691, A (Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.), 13 March, 2003 (13.03.03), & US 2004/104391 A & EP 1367655 A1</p> <p>Document 2: JP 2003-249373, A (Fuji Photo Film Co., Ltd.), 05 September, 2003 (05.09.03), (Family: none)</p> <p>Document 3: LEE Jinwook, Full Color Emission from II-VI Semiconductor Quantum Dot-Polymer Composites, Adv. Mater., Vol. 12, No. 15, pages 1102-1105, 02 August, 2000 (02.08.00)</p> <p>Document 4: JP 2002-121548, A (Mitsubishi Chemical Corp.), 26 April, 2002 (26.04.02), (Family: none)</p> <p>Document 5: JP 2003-243727, A (Nichia Chemical Industries, Ltd.), 29 August, 2003 (29.08.03), (Family: none)</p> <p>Document 6: JP 2002-314142, A (Toyota Gosei Co., Ltd.), 25 October, 2002 (25.10.02), & US 2002/163302 A & EP 1249873 A2</p> <p>Document 1 describes that it is effective to add ultrafine particles of which average particle size is 20nm or less to a light-emitting device which converts wavelength containing phosphor of which particle size is 0.1µm or more within resin matrices. Consequently, as described in documents 2-4, utilizing semiconductor ultrafine particles, occasionally having core-shell structure, which is utilized as optimal substance for a similar light emitting device capable of converting wavelength, as the ultrafine particle described in document 1 is easy for a person skilled in the art to conceive.</p> <p>Further, with regard to resin to enclose phosphor particles or semiconductor ultrafine particles used in light-emitting device capable of converting wavelength, various types of transparent/ permeable resin described in documents 2-6 is used and it is something that a person skilled in the art arbitrarily chooses. Moreover, a person skilled in the art can also choose types and characteristics of phosphor or semiconductor ultrafine particles to be enclosed in the resin from options publicly known.</p> <p>Therefore, the subject matters of claims 1-41 of the present application is self-evident due to documents 1-6 and does not seem to involve an inventive step.</p> <p>The inventions described in the subject matters of claims 1-41 seem to have industrial availability.</p>			